

PATENT ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 01997/701002

Certificate of Mailing: Date of Deposit: Notwerland, 2001

I hereby certify under 37 CFR § 1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

TRACEY Simmons

Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence

mary Summons

Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

H. Robert Horvitz et al.

Art Unit:

1642

Serial No.:

09/087,136

Examiner:

K. Canella

Filed:

May 28, 1998

Customer No.:

21559

Title:

NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING LIN-37 AND USES THEREOF

Assistant Commissioner For Patents Washington, DC 20231

REPLY TO EXAMINER'S ACTION

In reply to the Examiner's Action mailed on June 6, 2001, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

OR to enter - KA

<u>AMENDMENTS</u>

Kindly amend the application as follows.

In the Claims:

Add new claims 34-64.

34. (New) A substantially pure, naturally-occurring nucleic acid encoding a lineage-37

(LIN-37) polypeptide that is free of the genes which, in the naturally-occurring genome of the

organism, flank the gene, said polypeptide having 50% or greater amino acid sequence identity 01/14/2002 CNGUYEN 00000186 09087136

05 FC:203

99.00 OP